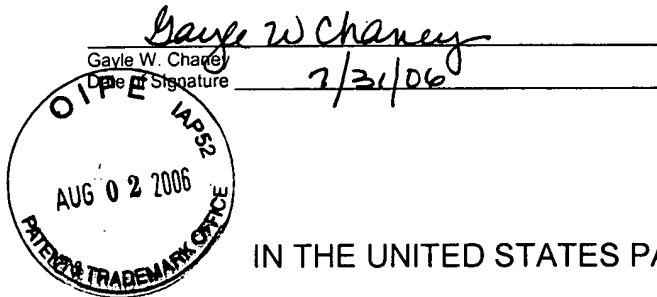


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AMENDMENT A

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Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated June 1, 2006, having a 3-month term for Response that expires on September 1, 2006. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.